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Proposed 200 ton gun.

The London correspondent of the Manchester "Guardian" writes:—"The proposal to which I recently referred of making a 150 ton gun at the Woolwich Arsenal has now assumed a much more ambitious shape. Those who have gone most deeply into the subject have been the least surprised at the performances of the Elswick monster at Spezzia, and they are the least inclined to believe that its capacity is relatively greater than that of the 81 ton. But Woolwich concedes that the 81-ton gun is not to be the limit of our artillery. It promulgated the doctrine, in fact, long before the 100 ton gun was heard of, and it is now only waiting an agreement with Mr. Barnaby, of the Admiralty, and Admiral Boys to commence making a gun very much further in advance of the Elswick piece than that is of the 81-ton infant. It has been stated that the coming gun is to be 150 tons. Another and a more definite report has put its weight at 164 tons, and no doubt, with regard to the old method of loading, this latter would have been the very largest gun that the inflexible is capable of receiving. But now that the invention of Mr. Stephens, depicted in 1867 in Colburn and Holley's engineering plates, and modified from steam to hydraulic power by the Elswick firm, has been introduced, the dimensions even of the inflexible may be found capable of accommodating a 200-ton gun. Such a gun Woolwich is now prepared to begin."

War Power of Russia.

At the outbreak of the Crimean war the Russian army numbered 1,400,000 men, about one-fifth of whom were irregular troops. The results of that convinced the emperor that a higher organization and discipline were needed, if Russia would successfully cope with her European neighbors. The rapid mobilization of the German army in 1870 still further emphasized the lesson of the Crimea, and in 1874 the ukase was issued rendering every Russian, certain classes excepted, liable to do military duty from the day he becomes 21 years of age. The time of service in European Russia is 15 years, six years under the flag and nine in the reserve; in Asiatic Russia the term is ten years, seven years active service. The total population to recruit from is but little less than 100,000,000, which fact gives the Muscovite empire a great advantage over the other great powers, Germany having a population of only 41,000,000; Austria Hungary, 36,000,000; France 36,000,000; and Great Britain 32,000,000. The first enrolment under the new law called for 160,000 men; this year the enrolment will embrace about 190,000 men, showing a steady increase in the quota required. The chief advantage claimed as the result of the new law is that it is gathering into the army a greater degree of intelligence, and hence of efficiency. At present the entire available force is stated to be 1,250,000, this number not including the irregular troops nor the contingent to be furnished this year. These added would increase the number to probably not less than 1,800,000 men.

ON SEWING MACHINES.—The best advice to intending purchasers of sewing machines is to select a machine which has built a reputation on its merits. This the Raymond sewing machine has done. Over 500 of these machines are in constant use in Victoria and vicinity and the mainland; and the ever repeated report of purchasers is that the machines more than meet expectations and give perfect satisfaction. Flattering as may be the appreciation of the Raymond Sewing Machines by the people of British Columbia it is but a faint echo of the reputation in which the Raymond is held throughout the globe. Readers of foreign newspapers can testify to this statement; and official returns show the Raymond to rank foremost in the lists of exports. A machine which meets with universal endorsement must be good. Try it. For sale by A.B. GRAY & Co., Victoria, B. C.

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implements belong to Mr. Edwards will also be let

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The Farm consists of 50 Acres well watered land,

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Elegant Dinner, Breakfast and Tea

Services,

TOILET SETS,

Butter and Pickle Jars from one Quart to

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Fine Chased and Cut GLASSWARE, such as Decan-

THE TRADE OF THE DOMINION.

The Toronto *Globe* of late date has a compilation of the comparative trade returns of the Dominion for the years 1874, 1875 and 1876. It is scarcely necessary for us to say that the tables show a heavy falling off in the value of importations. This result must have been anticipated by any who have read the statements sent forth monthly from the different customs houses. But while depletion has been going on upon the one side the tables show that the exports of the Colony have actually increased. Taking the returns now available for the whole fiscal year the comparison between 1874-5 and 1875-6 stands as follows:—

1874-5, imports.....	\$123,070,283
1875-6, imports.....	92,210,346
Decrease.....	29,859,937
1874-5, exports.....	\$77,886,779
1875-6, exports.....	80,065,452
Increase of exports.....	2,178,673

A falling off in the volume of trade will account, in some measure, for the reduction in the imports; but not altogether. There has been great shrinkage in the value of imported goods. Articles that two years ago were valued at their then market quotation have shrunk from 25 to 50 per cent. Consequently, while trade may not materially have declined in volume, the amount collected in *ad valorem* duties must be necessarily light in comparison with previous years. The trade depression that affected Great Britain and the United States did not fail to make itself felt throughout Canada, and numerous failures threw many large stocks of goods on the market at depreciated prices. On this head the *Globe* says: "The depression, it will be observed, did not cause any decline in the trade of the Dominion materially in 1873-4, having, in fact, only commenced to be felt during the latter part of 1873. The first symptom of a change was the cessation of the inflation which had occasioned so rapid an increase in the three or four previous years. In 1874-5 and 1875-6 the respective imports and exports were singularly equal in volume, the figures standing as follows:—

1873-4—Total imports.....	\$128,011,281
1874-5—Total imports.....	128,213,582
1873-4—Total exports.....	\$78,922,252
1874-5—Total exports.....	80,351,258

The following tables show the various classes of goods under the head of manufactures that were imported into Canada in 1874, 1875 and 1876 (fiscal years), inclusive, and the exports of manufactures for the same periods:—

ARTICLES.	1874.	1875.	1876.
IMPORTS.			
Books.....	254,472	1,042,255	852,794
Biscuits.....	2,508	2,940	3,042
Candles.....	50,084	72,201	60,018
Carrriages.....	131,221	118,387	85,388
Cottons.....	11,118,533	9,970,523	7,027,282
Furs.....	40,881	48,736	157,523
Glass and Glassware.....	1,162,574	1,105,544	889,036
Grainstones.....	8,362	13,671	14,878
Gypsum, ground.....	61,731	62,577	61,636
India Rubber.....	195,519	240,020	135,097
Iron and Hardware.....	11,841,108	14,465,541	10,787,061
Leather.....	861,260	936,288	1,111,685
Lime.....	50,292	80,863	99,638
Linen.....	1,176,320	1,292,406	819,195
Machinery.....	1,363,353	1,102,916	621,810
Musical Instruments.....	660,232	826,929	52,016
Oil Cakes.....	3,714	1,998	1,600
Rags.....	50,292	80,863	99,638
Sewing Machines.....	46,434	43,400	46,109
Soap.....	80,566	91,376	71,841
Tobacco and Cigars.....	627,518	621,487	366,347
Wool.....	797,779	759,712	374,173
Woolens.....	11,160,118	12,982,147	8,559,023
Liquors.....	289,316	219,961	146,765
Alc. Beer and Cider.....	188,559	162,155	128,481
Whisky.....	14,167	6,648	15,236
Other Spirits.....	30,849	36,259	14,674
Vinegar.....	1,315,380	1,219,479	797,522
Brandy, Gin and Rum.....	47,621,132	47,634,698	33,324,253
EXPORTS.			
Books.....	37,282	45,634	50,529
Biscuits.....	25,526	28,134	30,004
Candles.....	5,346	8,846	4,312
Carrriages.....	20,050	18,000	14,000
Cottons.....	5,037	2,245	6,980
Extract Hemlock Bark.....	55,117	230,229	279,254
Furs.....	3,110	2,458	3,840
Glass and Glassware.....	3,701	7,196	11,163
Grainstones.....	2,550	2,550	2,550
Gypsum, ground.....	139,224	48,441	32,663
India Rubber.....	12,716	5,288	5,823
Iron and Hardware.....	345,114	197,180	292,311
Lime.....	1,348	1,348	1,348
Linen.....	290	413	60,368
Machinery.....	38,759	40,763	60,368
Musical Instruments.....	3,701	7,196	11,163
Oil Cakes.....	59,632	56,592	47,766
Rags.....	13,056	14,212	13,607
Sewing Machines.....	252,473	254,510	365,749
Soap.....	8,813	8,813	5,529
Straw.....	1,869	3,923	3,723
Stone, wrought.....	35,512	30,470	30,470
Sugar Boxes.....	420,064	288,630	295,106
Tobacco and Cigars.....	67,201	97,438	72,457
Wool.....	70,567	107,563	196,186
Woolens.....	26,721	17,954	45,249
Liquors.....	32,736	22,427	19,697
Alc. Beer and Cider.....	2,787	5,290	6,879
Whisky.....	84,514	89,192	43,480
Other Spirits.....	641	308	73
Vinegar.....	178,368	135,342	151,092
Brandy, Gin and Rum.....	2,204,229	2,293,040	3,164,097

These figures will form a profitable object of study for those who have been so loudly declaiming against the alleged "slaughtering" of foreign goods in Canada, and dispose of the sole plea upon which many of them have founded their sole claim to increased protection. The conclusion is that the period of decline has probably terminated, and that we may now look for perhaps a slow but still increasing revival of our import and export trade.

To Whom it may Concern.

This certifies that Dr. R. Price has cured my hearing, after 18 years of deafness, and I would recommend him to any of my friends. His cures are simple and true.

Truly yours,
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CHRONICLES OF VICTORIA.—The seated distrust felt by the Provincial and Dominion Governments; the deep disappointment produced by mythical promises; the stubbornness of our present Ministry in not resigning after having been politely requested to do so; the perfect nonchalance with which our Mayor receives the thrusts intended for weaker nerves; the impossibility of acquiring wealth here dishonorably without being detected; the religious sects that so multiply and disagree as to puzzle you and puzzle me; the so evident proneness to forget the 13th chapter of 1st Corinthians, that following out the laws of Second Nature, T. N. Hibben & Co. will nevertheless lay in their hands and well selected stock for the Christmas Holidays as if such things were not.

PATRONIZED BY HER EXCELLENCY THE COUNTESS OF DUFFERIN.—Remember, if you want to save money in buying, selling, or trading goods of any description, new or second hand, furniture or wearing apparel included, call at Haggarty's store on DUFFERIN STREET, hitherto known as Store Street.

New Advertisements.

Licensing Court.

AN ADJOURNED SITTING OF BENCH OF Magistrates to grant Retail Liquor Licenses for the City, for the year 1877, will be held at the City Police Court on SATURDAY, December 23d inst., at 11 o'clock a.m.

WILLIAM LEIGH, C.P.C.
Victoria, B.C., 21st Dec., 1876. de23

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Will have constantly on hand the

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Soliciting from my friends and the public a share of their patronage.
de23 3m HENRY NOBLE.

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The Concert will comprise:
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Popular Comic Song, Le Beau Nicholas.
Selections in character from the well known Opera
LA FILLE DU MME. ANGOT.
CONSPIRATORS' CHORUS.

TICKETS \$1, to be had from the Members of the Committee of the Society, T. N. Hibben and Frank Campbell.
Box Office will be opened on Wednesday the 10th and Thursday, 11th Jan., from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., when seats can be reserved for 25cts. extra. de13

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GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICES!

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Large Stock of Furs
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Is Now Offered at Below Cost Price FOR CASH,
In consequence of the great fall in prices of furs in London.

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SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 23rd, 1876.

Marine Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ENTERED.

Dec. 22—str. Etta White, Burrard Inlet
str. Kiana, Nanaimo
sch. Black Diamond, Nanaimo
CLEARED.Dec. 22—str. Etta White, Burrard Inlet
sch. Alert, Nanaimo
sch. Adair, San Juan

City Police Court.

[Before his Honor H. C. Courtney.]

FRIDAY, DEC. 22.

John Burns, keeper of the Royal City Saloon, was brought up by virtue of a warrant charging him with having robbed one William Johns of a pocket-book containing \$70, while the said Wm. Johns was in prisoner's saloon.

Mr. Theodore Davie appeared for the defence.

Complainant swore that he was in the Royal City Saloon; that he treated at 20 minutes past one o'clock in the morning; that he had the pocket-book in his outside pocket; that Burns and another man took him into another room and took off his boots; witness would not stop and went outside; when he missed his pocket-book; he went to the door and they would not let him in; at 9½ o'clock the next morning witness returned to the bar room and a man who was behind the bar gave him two receipts that were in his pocket-book and which the man said he had picked up on the floor when he opened the door that morning; Mrs. Burns, wife of the prisoner, then struck witness in the face with her fist; witness acknowledged having invited a number of persons to take a drink and having put down 25 cents saying all his other money was in paper; immediately upon saying this he was taken into the other room and relieved of his money.

Archibald Jordan testified that he was asleep in the Royal City Hotel on the night in question and was awakened by the prisoner, who said a friend of his was drunk and he wanted to put him to sleep in witness' room. Complainant was brought in and while in the room said he had been robbed of his pocket-book by Mrs. Burns; she laughed and then produced the book, which prosecutor opened and pulled some papers from it; Burns said, "what have you got there? let me see." Burns took the pocket-book and went to the barroom; the prosecutor said, "I've lost \$80." Prosecutor was incapable of taking care of himself; when witness left the bedroom prosecutor had the pocket-book in his hand; the paper witness saw in Burns' hand looked like a receipt; don't know how Mr. Burns came in possession of the pocket-book.

J. W. Griffiths deposed having paid Johns \$100 on Tuesday last—\$80 in notes and \$20 in silver.

Wm. Williams said he saw the prosecutor at Thistle's Saloon between 2 and 3 o'clock on Thursday morning, when he told witness he had been robbed; went with him to the Royal City Saloon and a woman came to the door and Johns said she had robbed him.

Officer Sullivan deposed to having met the complainant on the morning in question and gone with him and last witness to the Royal City, where the woman denied having taken his money.

E. Kitson swore that complainant came into the Royal City Saloon at 9 or 10 o'clock in the evening and called four persons up to take a drink, also the bar-keeper, and he paid 25 cents, saying that was all the money he had; that was just as he came in; these were the first drinks he had there; Johns was pretty drunk when he came in; witness left at 11½ or 12 o'clock that night; 2 or 3 persons came in and stood there while witness was there; witness left Johns in the Royal City when he left.

Mr. Davie addressed the Court on the evidence, claiming that the prisoner was entitled to discharge, it having been clearly shown that Johns was drunk, and that he must have lost his pocket-book elsewhere, while the receipts found the next morning were not in the pocket-book at all.

The Magistrate thought there were strong grounds for committing the prisoner for trial. Johns, although drunk and entitled to little sympathy, told a straightforward story, and the evidence of Jordan was very strong. How did Mrs. Burns come in possession of the pocket-book? and why did Burns take it into another room and remove some papers from it? These were questions for a jury to answer. His Honor also remarked upon the extraordinary case with which strangers like Burns, about whom nothing was known, had lately obtained licenses in this city; complaints of men having been robbed in these houses were frequent and when the police made inquiries the witnesses were spirited away. The prisoner was committed for trial, the Magistrate intimating that he would accept bail in \$500 and the prisoner's personal security in \$50 for his appearance at the assizes.

"Christmas comes but once a year,
And when it comes it brings good cheer."
—ANCIENT BALLAD.

Mr. JOHN PARKER respectfully invites his friends and the inhabitants of Victoria to inspect his immense display of Christmas meats, nearly all of which have been raised and fed by himself on his farm at Rocky Point, Metchoin. His show consists of two and three-year-old steers, weighing from seven to nine hundred pounds; Southdown lambs only 6 months old, weighing from 50 to 70 lbs.; calves 2 months old, weighing 100 lbs. and upwards; mammoth hogs and sucking pigs of every description. His sheep are the finest ever exhibited in the market of Victoria. Turkeys, geese, chickens, head-cheese, Bologna sausage, &c., &c., in endless variety, all of which will be sold at very lowest rates. Intending purchasers would do well to inspect this magnificent display of Island-raised meats and select their Christmas and New Year's supply therefrom. Mr. Parker feeling satisfied that he can supply them better and cheaper than any other establishment in the city.—JOHN PARKER, Parker's Market, corner of Fort and Government Sts.

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[Before Mr. Justice Crease.]

FRIDAY, DEC. 22nd.

Woodcock vs. The North West Commercial Company.—For the plaintiff, Mr. Robertson. Mr. McCreight appeared for the defendants.

In this case, which occupied the attention of the Court 4 days, the plaintiff sought to recover from the defendants a certain sum for goods supplied to the company, the chief points at issue being the difference between the wholesale prices of Victoria, and the retail ones ruling at Inverness, formerly known as Woodcock's Landing; and also an item of \$180 claimed by plaintiff as freight on the goods sold by Nelson. It appeared in evidence that the company having purchased the entire premises and land on which the plaintiff's store was erected, an agreement was entered into for the purchase of two-thirds of the stock in the store, the amount to be taken not to exceed \$3000, to which the company, Uriah Nelson and Woodcock, as it was claimed, were assenting parties. Woodcock was indebted to Nelson, and the amount of the goods which might be selected was to go to his credit on account. On behalf of defendants it was contended that rather than have one-third of the goods thrown on plaintiff's hands *in loco* (Woodcock's) clerk requested defendants to let all the goods remain on the shelves and allow credit for whatever might be sold, the ultimate amount credited depending on sales. The plaintiff, however, pleaded that all the goods so claimed to have been left on sale or return had been finally accepted on the day of Col. Lane's arrival at Inverness, and he repudiated any responsibility for the terms or prices of the written contract which had only been signed by Nelson, he being present but taking no part in it, and he subsequently agreed on an account with Lane, showing a balance in his favor of \$300 in August but raised this claim to \$596 in October. To this defendants demurred and paid \$505 into Court, claiming that even this was not due, but was paid because Lane had given Woodcock an account crediting him this amount.

The plaintiff and Nelson having been examined on Tuesday and Wednesday the president of the company, Mr. Neill, was on Thursday called upon to give evidence. He testified that he made no special arrangements with Woodcock about the terms, considering Nelson who held a mortgage over the stock and sold with Woodcock's consent, was the real principal in the matter. Nothing was said about freight or other charges. He said Woodcock had seen the prices the goods here entered at in the company's books in June, and raised no objection, and did not do so until October, when (the defendant alleged) he added a heavy percentage to his claim. The witness here proposed to state that the inventory of the goods taken over by the company, which had been made out by Clark and Tennant, clerks to the Company and Woodcock, had been taken away by Col. Lane, he then acting superintendent, or in some way disposed of, although the essential document for any settlement, and was not forthcoming till now produced in Court. He also stated that the book now produced relating to the transaction was manufactured in his absence for the purpose of this claim—being neither blotter, journal nor ledger, and many of the entries in it did not appear in the company's regular books. He had given instructions when at Inverness to reject the goods not approved of and lay them aside, but Lane had disobeyed these instructions. The goods were not really taken over by the company but held on sale or return at the request of Woodcock's clerk, who acted for plaintiff and Nelson. The rejected list of goods remaining on hand amounted on 4th October to \$931, waiting orders for delivery. Evidence was offered to show the *animus* of Lane against the company in the course he had pursued, but it was ruled out as inadmissible, in the present case His Lordship suggesting that he be attacked directly by the company.

Mr. McCreight (counsel for the company) then addressed the Court. Mr. Robertson replied and the Judge yesterday rendered the following judgment:

This was an action in which the plaintiff sued the defendants on the ordinary indebtedness counts and claimed \$1000. The defendants pleaded "never indebted" and payment of \$305 into Court in full satisfaction of the claim, on which issue was joined. The trial has occupied several days. I have considered the evidence and authorities produced with more than ordinary care, owing partly to the peculiar relative positions of the parties and of the relations which have existed between them. First, as to the contract between Uriah Nelson and Neill on behalf of the North Western Commercial Company of 9th March, 1876, but dated 6th March, 1876. I don't think there is sufficient evidence to fix Woodcock either with direct or constructive knowledge of that contract. His evidence on that point is positive and direct. Neill's was guarded and indistinct, although that gentleman gave all his evidence well. Nelson of course knew of it in all its details, but *non constat* that he communicated it to Woodcock, especially in his then frame of mind. The goods were Woodcock's and Neill must be considered to have known it, as he was cognizant of the mortgage, in which no default had been made. Nelson has no legal power over them until default in the payment of Woodcock's notes to him, and he had no right to sell Woodcock's goods without his consent. Perhaps that was why Nelson would not sign the agreement of 6th March, 1876, until the 9th March, when Woodcock agreed to deliver the goods. I find that Woodcock was cognizant that he had agreed to sell \$3,000 worth of his goods on Nelson's account, and (in diminution of his indebtedness to Nelson) to the North Western Commercial Company at invoice prices. These invoice prices were at Inverness. Lane, and therefore the company, took the \$3,000 worth of Woodcock's goods on 19th April, 1876. Probably by mistake he took over more than the \$3,000 worth of Woodcock's goods on 19th April, 1876. The selection, so far as Woodcock is concerned, must be taken to have occurred then. Where no time is mentioned in a contract, the law presumes a reasonable time to be intended. It would not be a reasonable time, and it is therefore too late for Mr. Neill or his company to select and reject these goods now. There is a balance of conflicting testimony as to this excess of goods taken from Woodcock over the \$3,000 worth, which I cannot solve with the evidence before me. I can therefore only give a *quantum valent*. This excess clearly did

not consist of first class goods. Substantial justice will be done if I allow for these at the same rate as Woodcock was willing to sell the preferred or selected \$3,000 worth of goods; namely, at Victoria instead of Inverness prices, with freight and charges from Victoria added. Six per cent. for freight and charges from Victoria to Inverness appears large; but, *per contra*, Neill was practically buying a monopoly of the trade there. Under the circumstances of these particular goods 6 per cent. would not be an unfair allowance. Out of the Bill of Particulars I disallow:

The item overcharged on from.....	\$15 12
The charge on 134 lbs. of rope 10cts. per lb.....	13 40
Overcharge on pilot charge.....	5 00
Inverness profit on sale of \$280 worth of goods. 84 00	
	\$117 52

I allow all the other items, and in addition I allow freight and charges on \$280 worth of goods at 6 per cent., \$16 80. Deducting this from sum disallowed, \$117 52, the total deduction for disallowance will be \$100 72. The verdict will be accordingly for \$190 20 for plaintiff in excess of the amount paid into Court.

I cannot deliver my judgment without remarking on the imperfect and unsatisfactory mode in which the account of Woodcock has been kept in the books of the Company at or about the dates of the transactions with Woodcock, and am at a loss to know why it should not have been entered Dr. and Cr. in a complete form in the usual business-like way in their day-book, ledger and other books, with the respective dates against the several items. It has placed the defendants in an embarrassing and disadvantageous position and rendered necessary a reference to the Court. But for this I do not see that the present plaintiff is responsible.

Nanaimo Assizes.

[Before Chief Justice Sir M. B. Begbie.]

The Nanaimo Assizes opened on Wednesday the 20th inst., the Grand Jury finding true bills against Murrie, Lange, and Stanley, accused of attempting to take a sloop from the custody of Collector Peck by whom she was seized for infringement of the revenue laws. Murrie, who was out on bail, did not appear to answer to the charge, and his bail was estreated. The other two were found guilty, but in consideration of the fact that they have been in jail awaiting trial since September last and likewise that they were not the principals in the transaction, the Court dealt leniently with them and sentenced them to be imprisoned for one week each.

Xmas Meats.

The holidays are again upon us, and Goodacre & Dooley, those bountiful providers of the essentials of good cheer, have dressed their shop as it was never dressed before. The beef and mutton are rolling in fat. The sucking pigs are tenderer than Spring chicken, and the veal would make an epicure hungry to look at. Last evening the shop was ablaze with gas jets and great crowds came to gaze on the edibles and leave their orders. The show will be continued this and to-morrow day and evening. To award "honor to whom honor is due," we would state that the beef is British Columbia bunch-grass raised; Lamb from Tod and King of Cedar Hill; Pork and Mutton from Turgoose and Pearce of Saanich; Bryant and Simpson contribute the sucking pigs; Bosworth, Cedar Hill road, sends in the veal; James Holmes has also come splendid mutton; Col. Houghton, raised the fat-tailed sheep; lamb and pork, Mr. Merriam, Cedar Hill; and the unerring rifle of a crack sportsman brought down the Christmas bear.

A Horrible Death.

The body of an Indian was found yesterday morning lying in the bed of the muddy ravine at the head of James Bay and not far from the Reformed Episcopal Church. Deceased had evidently been dead for some hours. The face was buried in the mud which is about 4 inches in depth, and the poor creature had evidently died of suffocation. He was drunk the night before, and probably walked into the ravine and fell face-down into the mud, from which he was unable to extricate himself, although from the appearance of the hands, which were clenched tightly a *ad* were full of mud, he made strenuous efforts to get out.

LONDON AND LEADENHALL MARKETS.—Great must have been the "slaughter of innocents" at Fred. Reynolds' shambles. Gigantic porkers, mammoth beefs, fat sheep, frisky lambs, frolicsome calves, and plump sucking piggywiggies adorn his stalls, and people of all ages and every class pause in their walk to feast their eyes upon the accumulation of good things. A pretty feature of the exhibition are the saddles of mutton which are exquisitely adorned and lettered, and a boar's head with "Happy New Year" across his capacious snout. No one should allow this day or evening to slip away without visiting Reynolds'. The sheep were fed by F. Reynolds and J. Burrows, Twin Oak; cattle, by J. Greaves, Cache Creek, and Messrs. Haynes & Lowe of Semikameen; lambs from G. Deans; calves from J. Sero, Richmond, and J. Anderson, Lake District; fat and sucking pigs, bred and fed by F. Reynolds. There is also a splendid lot of very fine geese and turkeys on show, which will be offered at reasonable prices.

The steamer Caribee-Fly came in about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon from Comox and way ports with the mails and the following passengers: Sir M. B. Begbie, M. J. Haynes, Mr. Warwick, Mr. Evans, Mr. McKelvey, Mr. Williams, Mrs. Thompson and son, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Askew, Miss Polly, C. T. Young and wife, Mr. P. Moore, Mr. Reece, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Matalli, Mr. Thompson. She also brought down 3 horses, 17 hogs, and 7 head of cattle.

SKATING.—This healthful and pleasant recreation can be enjoyed from 2 till 4 p.m. at the Philharmonic Hall to-day, and skating and dancing till a late hour this evening. Good music has been provided to enliven the occasion and the hall has been decorated in a manner worthy of the season.

The steamer Otter left for New Westminster yesterday morning with Miss Irving, Miss Allard, Miss Insley, Capt. Insley and Messrs. Holding, W. Stahl, Polard, Sharp, J. Murray and several others.

The Licensing Court will sit to-day at 11. Some very interesting proceedings are anticipated.

Governor Grover at Esquimalt.

On Thursday Col. Thorp with some of his American and British friends went on board the City of Panama at Esquimalt to say farewell to the gentleman who appointed an elector to give the casting vote in the greatest political struggle of modern days—the election of President of the United States—Governor Grover of Oregon. Col. Thorp addressed the Governor in nearly the following words: "It gives me as an American citizen and an American soldier the most sincere satisfaction to know that the casting vote of the Presidential election is provisionally entrusted to one whom we know has given proof by his past life of his integrity, his honor, and his love of country, and Governor Grover, myself and the gentlemen with me who take a deep interest in the glorious land of the Stars and Stripes wish you God speed; and we feel satisfied that neither interest nor circumstances can dissuade you from doing what you ought to do for your country's good." Governor Grover replied as follows: "I have felt, and do feel, the responsibility that devolves on me in appointing an elector in this great political struggle of our giant young Republic; it gives me great pleasure in leaving a British port to get such a hearty God speed from British subjects and American citizens, and I may assure you, Col. Thorp and gentlemen, that neither interest nor influence, backed with the wealth of the great Republic, would prompt or influence my course. Love of country, love for the great Republic shall guide me in my every official act. I am now about to leave for San Francisco and thence to Washington, and I trust the Divine Power may lead this great political struggle which stirs our Republic to its heart's core to an amiable and peaceful termination. Col. Thorp and gentlemen, I thank you for your good wishes and patriotic feelings." Cheer after cheer was given for Governor Grover as the steamship moved away.

English Comic Opera.

Theatre Royal was crowded last evening. The opera company have sprung into sudden and deserved popularity, and everyone is crowding to witness their chaste and delightful performances. "The Grand Duchess of Gerolstein" was presented with original costumes and music in a style that won enthusiastic plaudits. Miss Clara Thompson appeared in the title-role, and with ringing notes and faultless acting captivated the audience. The song of "Le Sabre" and indeed all the vocal parts were executed with exquisite taste. Prince Paul was personated by Mrs. Winston, whose beautiful mezzo soprano and bright, winning ways were the subject of general admiration. Mr. Bracey's "Fritz" was a capital personation, and Mr. Farley's "General Brown" was so fine as to be beyond praise. Mr. Bell, who is a finished comedian, was overpowering as "Baron Pack." During and after the entertainment those who attended were loud in praise. The piano-playing of Mr. Geo. T. Evans is so perfect that the absence of a full band is scarcely noticeable. This evening "Girofle Girofla," one of the most wonderful productions of the comic opera composers, will be produced. Seats may be secured at Redfern's. On Monday evening there will be no performance; but on Boxing Night there will be a grand gala performance of "La Fille du Mademoiselle Angot."

Municipal Road Tax.

We have been asked frequently if, should a Ratepayer fail to pay his road-tax to the City, whether he could be debarred from voting for Mayor and Councillors provided he shall have paid all other taxes and rates standing against his name on the Corporation books on or before the 20th inst. Our impression is that a default in the matter of road-tax cannot vote, notwithstanding he may have discharged hundreds of dollars of other liabilities to the City. This is the opinion of legal gentlemen to whom the point was referred for advice. We have heard of several large contributors to the City revenue who have declined to pay the road-tax, believing it to be illegal. When these parties approach the polls they will not find their names on the Voters' books. The interests at stake in the approaching contest are too weighty to be jeopardized for the sake of a road-tax of \$2.

NANAIMO.—A requisition is being circulated asking T. A. Bulkley, Esq., of the Harewood mine, to stand for the House of Commons. Hon. A. Bunster writes the *Free Press* that he will continue to represent Vancouver District at Ottawa and do battle there for the Province. Mr. Jessop, Superintendent of Education has examined Wellington, Nanaimo, Gabriola, Cedar and Soanemo schools.

CHRISTMAS SHOW OF MEAT.—British Columbia as a beef raising country stands second to none. Let those who doubt this proposition go and see the show of beef and mutton at Fred. Reynolds', which is something wonderful and pronounced by all to be the finest ever seen in this Province.

SHIPPING.—The ship Merchant, lumber laden, has sailed for Melbourne. The bark Blanchard, lumber laden, is in the outer harbor. The ship Grace Darling and bark Revere have sailed from Nanaimo for San Francisco.

The examination of South Saanich school came off yesterday and was highly satisfactory. Mr. LeVaux, the teacher, having been promoted to the High School, leaves South Saanich with the good opinions of all.

DR. CALDER, Dentist, has returned from a professional tour on the mainland and will be happy to wait on those who may require his services.

LAMBS.—Twelve fine lambs of Parker's own raising may be seen at his market.

MR. REDFERN'S USEFUL CLOCK faithfully sounds the warning *tempus fugit*! We claim to be more considerate than our esteemed neighbor, who hourly reminds us of this solemn fact, because we only annually remind our friends of the arrival of our usual assortment of *Pocket and Office Diaries*—1877. T. N. HINXEN & Co. 2nd.

OLD CHICORY is almost a thing of the past. Finlayson's Coffee presides over the present. It has now superseded what used to be claimed as "superior to and other manufactured on this coast," and will soon be found on every well-furnished table in the Province. Prepared at his premises on Fort street, and sold by all the principal dealers.

An Examination of Building Stones.

EDITOR COLONIST:—Having heard much of Leathers' Artificial Stone, I wished for my own satisfaction to submit it to a test which has before been applied to building stones. The action of this test is an imitation of freezing water, and the process is conducted as follows: Obtain a boiling saturated solution of a neutral crystallizable salt, (sulphate of soda was used in this instance.) Immerse the specimens of stone in it for about half an hour, then hang them up in a dry atmosphere. In a short time they will be covered with an inflorescence of white crystals. These crystals while forming, exert a force analogous to that of freezing or crystallizing of water.

A specimen of artificial stone alleged to have been made in this city six days previously was procured, together with two specimens of native freestone, and submitted to the above process, with the following results:

One of the native stones became much disintegrated and could be easily crushed between the fingers, the other remained hard to the touch but could be splintered with a knife; the artificial stone stood the test well and retained its hardness perfectly, the angles being sharp and well defined as previous to immersion.

The experiment will be more complete if after a few days drying, the specimens are brushed sharply with a hard brush.

H. L. JONES.

The Cause of Our Troubles.

EDITOR COLONIST:—Under the heading of "Inspection of Volunteers" the *Guardian*, with its usual amount of good taste and veracity, states "that because of some misunderstanding between the officers (some of the men siding with one and some with the other) the D.A.G. thought it advisable to disband the New Westminster Rifles in order to get officers more generally popular. The item also states that the D.A.G. said the efficiency of the corps was due to the ability and skill of the gallant Captain Burr. Now, as it is plainly to be seen why the item was written, and as it seems our little domestic troubles must be dragged before the public and falsely told at that, I intend to give the true reasons for the dissatisfaction of the men of the corps and, consequently, the decision of the D.A.G. The officers' quarrel had nothing to do with the matter—that quarrel having been decided by the Court of Enquiry, who found that Captain Burr had failed to prove any one of the *ad hoc* charges against Lieut. Peete. The real cause was this: The members of the corps considered that the gallant Captain Burr had wrongfully withheld certain monies that ought to have been paid into the private funds of the corps. This, with other unpopular actions of the gallant Captain, both in and out of the corps, led the men to state to the D.A.G. upon parade that they would not serve under the gallant Captain any longer.

With regard to the last part of the item, the remark of the D.A.G. in his speech was, "the efficiency of the troops was due to the exertions of Capt. Burr, Lieut. Peete, Esq. Benson and the intelligence of the men." In conclusion allow me to add that the secret of all our troubles is—the gallant Captain Burr could not or would not realize the fact that he had a different class of men to deal with than those he came in contact with twenty years ago, when he was a non-com. in a regiment known (as I am informed) to the other troops in H. M. Service as the Hogg's 62nd Corps.

New Westminster, Dec. 19.

DELAYED DISPATCHES.

EASTERN STATES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Interesting experiments were made yesterday in the presence of the city officers. Fire proof scenery was submitted to fierce flames for several minutes without getting damaged. Boucciault conducted the experiments. The materials used for rendering scenery fire-proof were a solution of tangelat of soda and afterwards siccinate of soda. An entire theatre can be made fire-proof for a hundred dollars.

Manton Marble writes to all Democratic journals his views of the Florida election, claiming that Tilden had a clear majority. WINDSOF, Dec. 18.—Recent Toronto specials concerning the ravages of the smallpox near Lake Winnipeg grossly misrepresented the situation. The Icelandic settlements is isolated, and in a population of 2,500 Icelanders and 300 Indians, there have been only 80 deaths, and about five deaths in the last two weeks. For the month past there has been a strict quarantine in the infected districts; no panic or interruption to trade.

CANADA.

TORONTO, Dec. 16.—The storm last night was severely felt throughout the province. Serious damages are reported to shipping and wharf property. Snow fell in the western district several feet, drifted so badly that some roads are entirely blocked.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 15.—The preliminary conferences will end to-day or to-morrow, and the formal conference will probably commence next week.

The "Herald's" London dispatch says the Porte has put in a claim for indemnity against Russia, to reimburse the additional outlay caused by her aid to Servia, which prolonged the insurrection, Russia, on the other hand, demands that Turkey shall pay the cost of the military occupation of Bulgaria. Until the plenipotentiaries and envoys extraordinary have communicated with their governments, nothing can be done, hence there will be no meeting of the preliminary conference for a few days.

The Indian authorities, it is said, have telegraphed the home government that if England withdraws her support from Turkey, the Mussulmans of Hindostan will certainly become obstreperous. If this should prove true it will be a source of no small embarrassment to the English Government in negotiations at Constantinople, and may have more influence in determining its Eastern policy than all the Bulgarian meetings and conferences on the Eastern question that have been held in England during the last two months.

STARTLING NEWS.—A carload of Rocking Horses, Wagons, Doll Carriages, Bedsteads, Cradles, Wheelbarrows, &c., &c., have just been received at the LONDON BAZAAR direct from the Eastern manufacturers, bought for cash very low, and will be sold at prices that will utterly defy competition. Handsome Rocking Horses from \$1.75. Branch Store opposite the Theatre.

Again the time has come round when precious gifts are made to precious persons. Even in luxury there can be economy by going to the right place to select. To find this place no sensible person will be guided by noisy or bogus advertisements. A single visit to my store on Government street will satisfy you that I have everything in my stock of watches, jewelry, silver and silver-plated ware, &c., &c., that will suit even the most fastidious, and the low prices asked for these goods will undoubtedly induce you to buy.

As to work appertaining to chronometers, watches, jewelry, &c., &c., I would simply state that during my long stay in Victoria I have given sufficient proof that I can furnish perfect satisfaction at reasonable prices.

No deception and exaggerated advertisements made use of to mislead; and no extra charges put on goods and work done to pay journeymen out of the customer's pockets.

I am fully able and competent to do all work brought to the shop myself and therefore can better afford to give my customers the full benefit of my facilities.

G. W. A. LANGE, Watchmaker and Jeweler, opposite The Colonist office, Government Street, Victoria. 1m3p

EDIDER-DOWN Dressing Jackets, Eider-down Skirts, Eider-down Corsets Eider-down and Cashmere Quilts—Thos. WILSON & Co., Masonic Hall Building.

Auction Sales.

CLEARING SALE.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.

Will sell by Public Auction at Salesroom, Wharf street,

Friday, December 29th, '76,
at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Several balances to close consignments for 1876.

50 brls. Roman Cement (as is)
V.A. 563, 565, 2 cases Citrate Magnesia
5 doz. each.

5 cases B & E Perrier's Champagne, qts.
5 cases do do pints.
C. J. in diamond, 150, 151, 152 and 153,
4 crates each containing 30 doz. White
Granite Bowls, 12-24, 12-30 and 6-36, and
66 Pudding Bowls, 12-12, 18-18, 18-30,
18-36.

2 crates 150 and 160, each containing 31
doz. assorted Dishes Zingard.
G.H.F. & Co., L. in diamond under,
6 cases assorted Garden Pots.

V.A. 77, 1 case of Kind's assorted Medicated Candies.

F in diamond V I under, 54 outside,
for account of whom it may concern,
damaged on voyage of importation, Ex
Hilmar from London, 1 bale 170 dozen
assorted Fishing Lines.

1 case 25 pairs Wool Lined Cork-soled
Cassia Mining Boots.

12 cases Arrol Ale.
7,200 La Incoignito Havana Cigars, imported
from Havana into San Francisco
in 1875 and exported from San Francisco
to Victoria in 1876 in Bond.

5 doz. Meerschaum Pipes.

3 Counters, suitable for Dry Goods.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.,
Auctioneers.

FURNITURE SALE.

J. P. Davies & Co.

Have received instructions from Mrs. H. M. COHEN, to sell by Public Auction at her residence, Broad street, opposite the Wesleyan Church, on

Wednesday, Dec. 27th, 1876,
at 11 o'clock, A. M.,

All her well kept Household Furniture,
consisting in part of

Rosewood Drawingroom Suite covered in
Silk Plush, Brussels Carpets, Rugs, Lace
Curtains, Chandeliers, Candelabras, Gas
Fittings, Fenders and Irons.

FINE KIRKMAN PIANO in Elegant
Rosewood Case, a fine Seven Octave
Instrument,

Piano Stool and Canterbury, Fire Guards
Extra Large Cabinets, Elegant Pair of
Pyramidal Glass standing nearly 6 feet
high, Large Pier Glass, Marble top Centre
Tables, Ball Hat Stand, Table on
Carved Rosewood Stand, Gilt Clock under
shade, Cornices, Ornaments, new Oil
Cloths, Walnut Extension Tables, Glass
Front Bookcase, Raymond Lock Stitch
Sewing Machine, Canary & Cages, Table-
covers, Dining and Rocking Chairs, Table
Cutlery, Forks and Spoons, Handsome
Tea Set, Glassware, Marble-top, Walnut
and Painted Bedroom Suites, Spring and
other Mattresses, Carpets, Closet-clothes-
Baskets, Oregon Blankets, Wardrobe,
Engravings, nearly new Kitchen Stove,
Preserving Pans, Crockery and the usual
kitchen requisites.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.,
Auctioneers.

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REAL ESTATE SALE.

The Subscribers have received instructions to sell by Public Auction at Salesrooms,

Wednesday, Jan

The Municipal Election.

REQUISITION AND REPLY.

Victoria, Nov. 20th, 1876.

M. W. T. Drake, Esq.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED RATEPAYERS, request that you will allow yourself to be placed in nomination for the office of Mayor for the City of Victoria at the ensuing Municipal Election, and we hereby pledge ourselves to use our utmost endeavours to secure your return.

CHAS. E. REDFERN,
HENRY RHODES,
G. C. KEAYS,
JAMES FELL,
J. DWYER and 200 others.

Victoria, Nov. 22d, 1876.

GENTLEMEN:—In reply to the very influential requisition which I have received asking me to allow myself to be nominated for Mayor for the ensuing year, I feel constrained, on public grounds, to accede to your request; although the office is not one which I covet, I believe that a radical change in the present Council will be advantageous to the public interests; and I trust, if elected, to be able to carry out such reforms as will be for the benefit of the City.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
M. W. TYRWHITT DRAKE.

James Bay Ward—Requisition and Reply.

To Thos. Trowne and Chas. E. Redfern, Esquires.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED RATEPAYERS of James Bay Ward, respectfully request that you will allow yourself to be placed in nomination for the office of Councillors for our Ward at the forthcoming Municipal Election.

JAMES FELL,
EDWIN JOHNSON,
THOS. SHOTBOLT,
A. E. B. DAVIE,
ALEX. WILSON,
THOS. CHARLES,
And 60 others.

To Messrs. Jas. Fell, Edwin Johnson, Thos. Shotbolt, A. E. B. Davie, A. Wilson, Thos. Charles and 60 others.

GENTLEMEN:—In reply to the requisition asking us to allow ourselves to be nominated to represent you in the Municipal Council for James Bay Ward, we beg to state that we shall be happy to accede to your request, and if elected will use our best endeavours to promote any measures that will, in our opinion, tend to the benefit of the City. Thanking you for the honor conferred upon us.

We are, Gentlemen, your obedient servants,
THOS. TROWNE,
CHAS. E. REDFERN.

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Municipal Election—Yates St. Ward

REQUISITION.

Victoria, Nov. 25th, 1876.

To J. H. Turner, W. J. Jeffree, J. Teague, Esquires.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED RATEPAYERS of Yates Street Ward, respectfully request that you will allow yourself to be placed in nomination for the office of Councillors for our Ward at the forthcoming Municipal Election.

W. CHARLES,
A. J. LANGLEY,
S. L. KELLY,
A. ROME,
S. SHOTBOLT,
And 140 other Ratepayers of the Ward.

REPLY.

Victoria, Nov. 25th, 1876.

GENTLEMEN:—We have to acknowledge the receipt of the very influential signed requisition with which you have honored us, asking us to allow ourselves to be nominated as Councillors for Yates Street Ward. In reply we beg to say that we are happy to accede to your request, and in the event of our election we pledge ourselves to do the best we can, as business men, to promote the welfare of the City.

J. H. TURNER,
W. J. JEFFREE,
JOHN TEAGUE.

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REQUISITION.

To Alexander McLean, Esquire:

WE the undersigned request that you will allow yourself to be nominated as Councillor for James Bay Ward at the next Municipal Election.

R. CARB,
J. W. DOUGLAS,
ALEX. JACK,
T. GORRIE,
P. LESTER,
R. LAING, and others.

Gentlemen:

I beg to thank you for the expression of confidence and good will conveyed in the above requisition. I will place myself in your hands, and, if elected, my aim will ever be to guard and promote the best interests of the Ward, and the general welfare of the City.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
A. McLEAN.

November 30th, 1876.

JOHNSON STREET WARD.

REQUISITION AND REPLY.

Victoria, B.C., Nov. 23, 1876.

To Rodetick Finlayson and Arthur Keast, Esquires:

WE, the undersigned Ratepayers of Johnson St. Ward, respectfully request that you will allow yourselves to be placed in nomination for the office of Councillors for our Ward at the forthcoming Municipal Election.

J. Boscowitz,
R. W. Janion,
J. E. McMillan,
Jno. Teague,
Joseph Spratt,
J. C. Keays,
John M. Head,
Geo. E. Smith,
Fred. Paine,
Arthur Porter,
C. W. R. Thomson,
E. Graciel,
J. Madden,
Henry Rhodes,
A. Astrico,
G. Montebello

William Farron,
Robert Williams,
T. H. Tye,
F. J. Boscoe,
W. F. Tolmie,
Wm. Tierney,
G. Bossi,
W. R. Clarke,
Joe. Rhede,
Giulio Piaggio,
William Field,
I. Braverman,
Robert Williams,
J. A. Kaymer,
H. F. Heisterman

To Messrs. J. Boscowitz, R. W. Janion, J. E. McMillan, John Teague, Joseph Spratt, and twenty six other Ratepayers of Johnson Street Ward.

GENTLEMEN:—In reply to your requisition to allow ourselves to be nominated as Councillors for Johnson Street Ward at the next Municipal Election, we accept with pleasure the honor you have done us and promise, if elected, to use our best efforts to promote the interests of the City.

RODICK FINLAYSON,
ARTHUR KEAST.

Victoria, 6th Dec., 1876.

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Dealer in

Groceries, Dry Goods,

Boots and Shoes, Clothing, Hats and Caps

HAS REMOVED

To Johnson street, one hour East of Eastman's Butch (Shop)

Manufactures Dravours, Underclothes, Overalls, etc., which he offers for sale by Wholesale and Retail, at Low Rates.

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Best Household Coal

DELIVERED TO ALL PARTS OF THE CITY

\$8 25 per ton of 2,000 lbs

FOR CASH ONLY.

Parties leaving their Orders for Coal

must leave the Money with them to ensure

their order being attended to.

Victoria, Oct. 21st, 1876.

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A RARE OPPORTUNITY FOR CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS GIFTS

H. RUDOLPH,

WATCHMAKER AND JEWELLER

HAS JUST RECEIVED

Ex CITY of PANAMA, DAKOTA & HILARION

INVOICES OF GOODS CONSISTING OF

DIAMONDS.

VERY RECHERCHE.

JEWELLERY,

AN IMMENSE AND SPLENDID ASSORTMENT.

WATCHES,

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION, IN FACT THE LARGEST STOCK IN THE PROVINCE.

The CELEBRATED LANGE WATCHES,

—ALSO—

LADIES' STEM WINDING GOLD WATCHES

REALLY ELEGANT AND VERY DESIRABLE PRESENTS.

SOLID SILVER CASE GOODS,

A MAGNIFICENT LOT,

SILVER SPOONS, KNIVES, FORKS, CUPS, GOBLET, ETC.,

IN ENDLESS VARIETY.

PLATED WARE.

TOO NUMEROUS TO PARTICULARIZE.

CLOCKS.

A VERY LARGE INVOICE.

SPECTACLES.

GOLD, SILVER, SHELL AND STEEL FRAMED.

The above importations are the most extensive ever made in Vancouver Island, and consigned direct to H. Rudolph by four of the largest manufacturers in Europe and America, who have appointed him sole agent for British Columbia, which enables H. R. to sell at European and American prices, with an only difference of duty, and he particularly informs the "Trade" that they would save at least 35 per cent. in future by replenishing their stocks from his establishment.

P. S.—Remember H. Rudolph is the only really practical working Jeweller and Engraver in the Colony.

Government Street, November, 1876.

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PHELPS, WADLEIGH & CO.

Wholesale and Retail

BUTCHERS

Brick Building N. W. Corner of Yates and

Broad Streets, Victoria, B. C.

YOUR FAVORS SOLICITED.

Victoria, Sept. 17, 1875

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PRESENTS.

WATCHES, JEWELRY,

DIAMONDS, SILVERWARE,

OPTICAL GOODS, MUSICAL BOXES

And Silver Platedware of every description,

THE LARGEST AND BEST ASSORTMENT IS AT

C. E. REDFERN'S.

GOVERNMENT STREET.

ALSO, A FEW VERY FINE

VIENNA REGULATORS FOR HALLS AND DINING ROOMS,

Alabaster and Gilt Clocks for Drawing Rooms,

C. R. begs to announce that the whole of his very Large Stock will be offered at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES FOR CASH during the coming Holidays in order to make room for Spring importations.

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FREDERICK REYNOLDS

FAMILY

BUTCHER, &c.

Wholesale and Retail Dealer in

Meats and Vegetables,

BY APPOINTMENT TO HER MAJESTY

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THE BEST ASSORTMENT OF ISLAND

and Mainland BEEF and MUTTON constantly

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Hotels, Restaurants and Families supplied at short

notice, and Meats delivered FREE OF CHARGE to any

part of the City or Suburbs with accuracy and dispatch.

Ships and Steamers supplied by contract LOW.

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FORESTERS' BALL

AT COMOX.

On Wednesday, January 3rd, 1877.

PASSENGERS WILL BE CARRIED BY

steamer to and from Comox at HALF-PRICE.

Tickets may be had at Victoria of F. G. Rich-

ard's, Jr., and Frank Campbell.

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JAMES SYME,

ARCHITECT,

MASONIC BUILDING, GOVERNMENT ST.,

Victoria, B. C.

WINES! WINES!

STROUSS, BRIGGS, KURTZ & CO.

Have just received in time for the Holidays

the undermentioned

Dinner Wines

Which they offer for sale at the following low prices:

Hock, per case 1 doz. quarts, \$6 50

Tokay, do do do 6 50

Muscadel, do do do 6 50

Catawba, do do do 6 50

Zinfandel, do do do 6 50

1 ort, do do do 8 00

Rusling, do do do 7 50

Malaga, do do do 9 00

Also in Stock,

Mumm's Dry Champagne in quarts and

pints.

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A. Casamayou & Co.,

YATES STREET, VICTORIA,

COMMISSION MERCHANTS & WHOLE-

sale Dealers in

GROceries, PROVISIONS, HAVANA CIGARS,

WINEs, LIQUORS, &c.,

AND French Preserves.

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London. Paris and New York

AT A GLANCE.

MAY BE SEEN AT

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Pianos,

Organs,

Harmoniums.

And a large stock of MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS by Celebrated Makers of Europe and America.

In addition to our present large stock, we have to arrive by Princess Royal, Prince Rupert and Amelia Ross, PIANOS and ORGANS by Alexandre & Bord of Paris, Boosey, Broadwood, Collard & Collard, Ivory and other Eminent Makers of London.

An ever increasing variety of SHEET and BOOK MUSIC, MUSIC STOOLS, a Large Stock at all prices.

PIANOS and ORGANS for HIRE, or may be Purchased on Easy Terms.

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Has received from London direct, a Large Assortment of:

DOUBLE AND SINGLE BARRELLED GUNS,

Central Fire Breech-Loaders,

FISHING TACKLE IN GREAT VARIETY,

Pocket and Sporting Cutlery, Powder Flasks, Shot Pouches, Game Bags, Cartridge Belts, Apparatus for Filling Cartridges for Breech-loaders and a full assortment of Gun Tackle.

GUNS MADE TO ORDER. REPAIRING NEATLY EXECUTED

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The British Columbia

Soap Works

ON HUMBOLDT STREET, VICTORIA,

ARE MANUFACTURING FIRST-CLASS

LAUNDRY SOAP

Equal to any in the market and offer them to the

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Lower Prices than they can be Imported

The special attention of dealers throughout the

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Call at the Factory or on W. JEFFRE E. corner

of Government and Yates streets and see Samples.

SOFT SOAP in 5 gallon tins at \$1 25 each can

be procured at the Factory or from Dealers.

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A. SCHAFER,

WHARF STREET, foot of Yates, Victoria, V. I.

MANUFACTURER OF ALL THE BEST

Brands of

HAVANA CIGARS,

Fresh Supplies of the

Best Leaf Tobacco,

Received every Steamer from San Francisco, Virginia

and Havana direct.

All kinds of Cigars made to Order.

Charges Reasonable. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

Orders by Mail promptly attended to and Goods

Shipped Free of Charge.

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THIRD REUNION

—OF THE—

VICTORIA

BASE BALL CLUBS!

Will be held at the

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Thursday, January 18th, 1877.

For Tickets apply to the Committee.

J. W. GRIFFITHS, Victoria Club.

L. G. McQUADE, Victoria Club.